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Appellant's "Reply Brief" of June 6, 2005 includes an appendix of claims that proposes to amend the claims under appeal. MPEP 1208.03 states:

"Amendments, affidavits, and/or other evidence must be submitted in papers separate from the reply brief, and the entry of such papers is subject to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116 and 37 CFR 1.195. A paper that contains an amendment (or evidence) is not a reply brief within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.193(b). Such a paper will not be entitled to entry simply because it is characterized as a reply brief.

Accordingly, appellant's filing of June 6, 2005 is not considered a reply brief, and is instead considered a proposed amendment after final rejection, filed under 37 CFR 1.116. The proposed amendment is denied entry, in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116.



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